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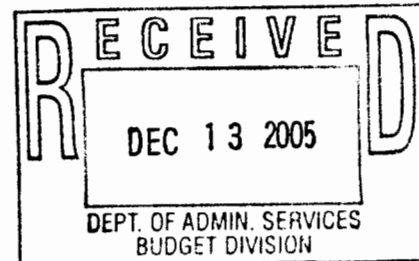
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
Mary J. Egr Edson
Tax Commissioner



December 13, 2005

Dave Heineman
Governor

Gerry Oligmueller
State Budget Administrator
State Capitol, Room 1320
Lincoln, NE 68509



Dear Mr. Oligmueller:

Subject: Deficit Request for Program 108 Homestead Exemption

We have now received all but four of the homestead exemption requests and we *estimate* the amount of payout for this fiscal year (2005-2006) to be \$53.821 million. Earlier, Dave Dearmont had given Lyn Heaton a figure of \$54.002 million based on the information we received from PAT this October. The current appropriation is only \$52.920 million, thereby creating a deficit request for Program 108 of \$.907 million. At this time, based on what we know now for FY 2006-07, the Homestead Exemption requests will be \$56.373 million.

In summary, we are requesting a deficit appropriation for Program 108 Homestead Exemption of \$.907 million in FY 2005-2006. Final figures for the Homestead Exemption program for FY 2006-07 will not be available in final form until this time next year.

If you have any questions, please contact me or Dick Gettemy of my staff.

Sincerely,

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Mary J. Egr Edson
State Tax Commissioner

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cc: Dick Gettemy
Dave Dearmont